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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	Examiner: George D. Spisich
Gerald Goertzen et al.	)	
Serial No.: 10/695,045	)	Art Unit: 3616
Filed: October 27, 2003	)	Confirmation No.: 5698
For: VEHICLE HAVING AN	)	Attorney Docket: 1287304325
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MECHANISM	)	

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2005, applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks. Applicant requests a two month extension of time to extend the response period from May 22, 2005 through July 22, 2005 for filing this response.

By this amendment, 27 total claims remain pending in this application including 6 independent claims. A check in the amount of \$1,400 is enclosed to cover the \$950 excess claim fee for seven (7) total claims in excess of twenty (20) and three (3) independent claims in excess of three (3) which have not been previously paid for and the \$450 two month extension of time fee.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.

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